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Senate Resolution 627

By: Senators Murphy of the 27th and Moody of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the work of the St. Marlo Fraud Coalition; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, mortgage fraud is one of the most serious crimes of our time, and the financial
- 3 ruin caused to the victims of this crime is devastating; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the sophisticated tactics employed by the perpetrators of this crime require
- 5 intensive investigation before any charges can be brought; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the St. Marlo Fraud Coalition is made up of the individuals who do the
- 7 painstaking work required to bring mortgage fraud criminals to justice; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the coalition, to date, has uncovered over \$25 million of mortgage fraud
- 9 occurring over the last seven years, and the investigations are ongoing; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the members of the St. Marlo Fraud Coalition are Richard Pickering, Meg Baer,
- 11 Byron Bradley, and Eric Cunningham; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the coalition works closely with FBI Special Agents Will Filson and Steven
- 13 McGinty, and with Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia,
- 14 Gale McKenzie; and
- WHEREAS, it is only fitting that these individuals be commended for the dedicated work
- 16 they have done and continue to do to fight this insidious criminal conduct.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 18 commend the St. Marlo Fraud Coalition and the other individuals named herein for their
- 19 outstanding work in investigating and successfully prosecuting mortgage fraud.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed

2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each of the individuals named in this

3 resolution.